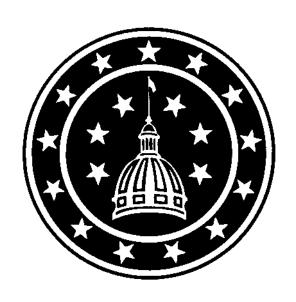
FINAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY AND HERITAGE STUDY COMMITTEE



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I. STATUTORY DIRECTIVE

The Indiana General Assembly enacted legislation (P.L.117-2005, as supplemented by Legislative Council Resolution 05-05) directing the Committee to do the following:

- (1) Study and evaluate the creation of a Department of the State Library and Heritage, which may include the study and evaluation of the administration and oversight of the following:
 - (A) The State Library.
 - (B) The Indiana State Archives established by IC 4-23-7-3.
 - (C) Historic preservation and archeology.
 - (D) The Historical Marker program.
 - (E) The Governors' Portraits collection.
 - (F) Any other heritage-related function of the government that could logically be incorporated into the department.
- (2) Examine the executive oversight of the proposed Department of the State Library and Heritage, specifically considering whether the department should be overseen by the Lieutenant Governor.

II. SUMMARY OF WORK PROGRAM

The Legislative Council did not assign any specific study topics to the Committee in 2005. The Committee did not meet during the 2005 interim session and therefore made no findings or recommendations.